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For: DRILL HEAD FOR USE IN PLACING A VERTEBRAL BODY DISC DEVICE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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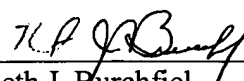
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of five months, extending the time for responding to the Notice of Appeal of December 21, 2000, from February 21, 2001 to July 21, 2001.

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